## **Senior Smoke Alarm Replacement Program**

Did you know that having a working smoke alarm in your residence decreases your chances of dying in a house fire by 50% percent? Yet, thousands of seniors throughout the United States live in homes without a working smoke alarm.

National safety statistics confirm that adults 65 and older are two times more likely to die in a house fire than any other segment of the population -- and for those older than 75, the risk nearly quadruples. One way that seniors can improve their chances of escaping a home fire is to make sure they have a working smoke alarm.

The Newport Beach Fire Department has begun a Senior Smoke Alarm Replacement Program to address this issue. Seniors residing within Newport Beach who are 65 years or older, and are unable to replace their smoke alarm due to financial and physical limitations, may have a Fire Department Representative come out to check their smoke alarms. The representative will make sure they have working smoke detectors.

This popular program is available to seniors with financial and physical limitations year-round. Installations are booked upon request only, on a first-come, first-served basis. No representatives will automatically come to your home.

Call now to make an appointment: Jennifer Schulz, Community Education Coordinator from the Newport Beach Fire Department (949) 644-3110.



**Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives!**